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SUBJECT: VISIT TO ICELAND BY AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD

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1. WE HAVE PLANNED THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD WHICH WHEN ICELANDERS INVOLVED MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BECAUSE OF LAST-MINUTE POLITICAL CAMPAIGNING. THE SCHEDULE IS CONDITIONED BY AMBASSADOR'S ARRIVAL ON AN AIRLINE WHICH IS MORE OFTEN LATE THEN ON TIME, AND THE TIME SET BY FON-MIN FOR LUNCHEON IN HIS HONOR.

(A) MAY 24 MET AT KEFLAVIK AIRPORT BY AMBASSADOR IRVING AND ADMIRAL COOLEY.

(B) AMBASSADORS RUMSFELD AND IRVING PROCEED IMMEDIATELY BY CAR TO REYKJAVIK (ABOUT 40 MINUTE DRIVE), HAVE BREAKFAST AT RESIDENCE, REST AND/OR SHORT RIDE AROUND REYKJAVIK, AND THEN PRIVATE DISCUSSION.
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(C) 1210 HOURS DEPART FOR GOVT GUEST HOUSE FOR STAG LUNCHEON HOSTED BY FONMIN EINAR AGUSTSSON (SEE GUEST LIST BELOW). LUNCHEON WILL END ABOUT 1400 HOURS.

(D) ABOUT 1515 HOURS WITH AMBASSADOR IRVING DEPART FOR BASE, ARRIVING 40 MINUTES LATER.

(E) BRIEFING BY ADMIRAL COOLEY AND IDF STAFF AND TOUR OF BASE.

(F) DEPART BASE AT 1900 HOURS, ARRIVING RESIDENCE ABOUT 1940 HOURS.

(G) 2000 HOURS STAG INFORMAL DINNER AT RESIDENCE WITH ABOUT 6 YOUNG FOREIGN AFFAIRS PRESS/TV COMMENTATORS FOR AN OFF-THE-RECORD DISCUSSION OF ICELANDIC POLITICS, INCLUDING THE DEFENSE ISSUE. AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD CAN EXPECT TO BE QUERIED ABOUT U.S. DOMESTIC POLITICS, U.S.-NATO RELATIONS, U.S. -EC9 RELATIONS, ETC.

(H) MAY 25 DEPART RESIDENCE ABOUT 0630 FOR KEFLAVIK AIRPORT ARRIVING ABOUT 0710. DEPART KEFLAVIK FOR LUXEMBOURG 0745.

2. GUEST LIST FONMIN'S LUNCHEON FOR AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD IS AS FOLLOWS (15 PEOPLE):

(A) GEIR HALLGRIMSSON (CHAIRMAN OF INDEPENDENCE PARTY, STAUCHLY PRO-IDF, PRO-NATO);

(B) GYLFI GISLASON (CHAIRMAN OF SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY. HE PERSONALLY SHARES HALLGRIMSSON'S PRO-IDF, PRO-NATO VIEWS BUT HIS PARTY SHOWING SIGNS OF DISINTEGRATION OVER IDF ISSUE);

(C) HANNIBAL VALDIMARSSON (CHAIRMAN OF OLL. HE IS PERSONALLY PRO-IDF, PRO-NATO, BUT BELIEVES IDF MILITARY NUMBERS CAN BE DRASTICALLY REDUCED. HIS PARTY IS SPLINTERING OVER IDF ISSUE);

(D) MAGNUS KJARTANSSON (ONE OF TWO COMMUNIST MINISTERS IN PRESENT GOVT. LEADER OF ANTI-IDF, ANTI-NATO MOVEMENT. VERY ARTICULATE AND PERSONABLE.);

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(E) HELGI BERGS (DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL BANK. ACTIVE BEHIND THE SCENES IN PROGRESSIVE PARTY POLITICS. PERSONALLY PRO-IDF, PRO-NATO);

(F) GUDMUNDUR GARDARSSON (INDEPENDENCE PARTY, LABOR LEADER, STAUNCH PRO-IDDF, PRO-NATO AND CHAIRMAN OF SOCIETY FOR WSTERN COOPERATION, WHICH IS AFFILIATE OF ATLANTIC TREATY ASSN);

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(G) AMBASSADOR PETUR THORSTEINSSON (SECGEN OF MFA. FORMER AM-
BASSADOR TO MOSCOW, PARIS, AND WASHINGTON);

(H) HORDUR HELGASON (DEP SECGEN OF MFA. FORMER DCM WASHINGTON);

(I) PALL TRYGGAVON (CHIEF OF MFA DEFENSE DIV, ICELANDIC
CHAIRMAN OF U.S.-ICELAND DEFENSE (COUNCIL);

(J) ADMIRAL COOLEY

(K) U.S. EMBASSY: AMBASSADOR IRVING, DCM MARTIN, AND POLITI-
CAL/ECON/COMMERCIAL OFFICER GOODMAN.

3. ICELAND CURRENTLY HAS 20 HOURS OF DAYLIGHT AND ENJOYING
UNSEASONALLY WARM 55 DEGREE FARENHEIT SUMMER. CAN EXPECT,
HOWEVER, THE USUAL HIGH WINDS AND INTERMITTENT RAIN.
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